

--10. (NEW) The method according to claim 2 wherein predisposition for obesity is determined as a genetic susceptibility for increased body-mass index.--

--11. (NEW) The method according to claim 5 wherein the said polymorphism is in position -602, -399, or -84 in the promoter region of the human neuropeptide Y gene.--

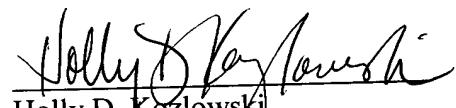
--12. (NEW) The method according to claim 6 wherein the said polymorphism is in position -602, -399, or -84 in the promoter region of the human neuropeptide Y gene.--

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REMARKS

By the present Amendment, claims 2 and 8 are amended to omit their multiple dependency. A Version With Markings Showing Changes Made is attached. Claims 10-12 are added. Support for claim 10 may be found in original claim 2, while support for claims 11 and 12 may be found in original claim 8. It is believed that these changes do not involve any introduction of new matter, whereby entry is believed to be in order and is respectfully requested.

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